

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
BERGEN COUNTY, N.J.
EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 20, 2011
6:30 PM**

Councilwoman Zamechansky called the meeting to order at 6:30PM

Flag Salute; Silent Prayer

Sunshine Law: The notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey have been satisfied by the inclusion of the date, time and place of this regular meeting in the annual schedule and notice of regular meetings of this Governing Body. Such annual schedule and notice of regular meetings is posted at Borough Hall, was sent to ***The Record*** and the ***Press Journal***, posted on the Borough website and filed with the Borough of Dumont.

Roll Call:

Council members Carrick, Caspare, Stylianou, Zamechansky-present
Council members Freeman and Manna-absent
Mayor McHale-absent

Motion to open to the public: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Caspare

All in favor.

Motion to close: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilwoman Zamechansky

All in favor.

Administrator Perkins' Report

Mr. Perkins will hold his report for the public meeting.

Engineer's Report

Borough Engineer Dominic Carrino and his associates Rose Santos and Ralph Martinez are present to answer questions and concerns regarding NJEIT Phase II Flood Control project. Ms. Santos is the project manager with regards to the DEP and Mr. Martinez is the project manager for the design element of the project.

Ms. Santos updated the Council on the DEP process. There are several options to rebid the project within the amount that was allocated. It was decided to revise the proposal to include add alternates and deducts, which would still leave \$140,000 for unforeseen conditions. The technical department at DEP must be contacted with any changes to plans. The plan is to go out to bid approximately September 27th.

Councilman Carrick does not want to add alternates and deletes. He wants everything to stay in the base bid and the cost of the project to be \$2.5 million. If it's more, he would like the bids rejected and then negotiate.

Mr. Carrino explained that there has to be a reason to reject bids.

Mr. Paster explained the ramifications of not adhering to procedure.

Councilman Stylianou said that theoretically a bid could come in at \$2.8 million and we would have to accept it even though it did not include the add alternates.

Councilman Carrick asked if it would be possible to explain to the DEP that the Borough has a budgeted amount of \$2.8 million but is comfortable awarding the project at \$2.5 million due to budgetary constraints. T&M will write to the DEP, which has to approve everything connected with the project.

Attorney's Report

Mr. Paster explained that according to a report he had received earlier it is becoming more of a consensus that e-mail among governing body members constitutes a meeting. He cautioned all to be careful about sending e-mails so as not to violate the Sunshine Law.

Review for Public Meeting:

RESOLUTIONS

#11-202 Authorization to Enter into Agreement with Educational Services Commission of Morris County-\$1,950

#11-203 Bills List

#11-204 Approval of Dumont Oktoberfest Street Fair October 22, 2011

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilwoman Zamechansky

All in favor.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Susan Connelly, RMC

Municipal Clerk